FORM # 4, Part 1

NEVADA STATE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT DISCLOSURE PROCESS PURSUANT TO 233B "Nevada Administrative Procedures Act"

RE: Proposed Amendment to NAC 445B.001-.3497, AIR CONTROLS: AIR

POLLUTION

By: Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP), Bureau of Air Pollution

Control and Bureau of Air Quality Planning

Note: Small Business is defined as a "business conducted for profit which employs fewer than 150 full-time or part-time employees" (NRS 233B.0382).

1. Does this proposed regulation impose a direct and significant economic burden upon a small business?

ANSWER: NO.

The amendments establish a program to regulate emissions of mercury from existing and new coal-fired electric generating units in Nevada. There are currently only two operating power plants with coal-fired EGUs in the state: Reid-Gardner and Valmy (Mohave is shut down). These facilities are not small businesses.

- 2. Does this proposed regulation restrict the formation, operation or expansion of a small business? ANSWER: NO. Any new power plant will not be a small business.
- 3. If **Yes** to either of questions 1 & 2, the following action must be taken:
- A. Was a small business impact statement prepared and was it available at the public workshop(s). <u>ANSWER</u>: Not applicable.
- B. Attach the Small Business Impact Statement (part 2) as part of Form #4 upon submission of the proposed regulation to the State Environmental Commission when Form #1 (petition to the Commission) is submitted. ANSWER: Not applicable.